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Current Comment

During the past 12 months American farmers borrow d a billion one hundred million dollars from federal land banks and other government agencies—and spent 89 per cent of it in refinancing their indebtedness. What a debt, and by no means indicative of the total debt that farmers of these more or less United States must write in the red on the wrong side of the ledger.

To what ultimate end; and what of the farmers who, for one reason or another, cannot secure a piece of this "reconstruction" money with which to keep their heads above water for yet a little while longer?

Borrowing from Peter to pay Paul is not the way out. The debt continues to exist, no matter how far away the day of reckoning. Other depressions will come at almost regular intervals so long as we pursue our present economic system—just as they have in the past.

At this point I hear dissenting voices: "We have made money at farming in the past; we shall make money at farming in the future." I cannot agree. Temporarily, perhaps, during our next "era of prosperity" (which, for the farmer, has not manifested itself since 1919)—but it does not follow that the farmer's troubles are on the wane. He merely passes them on to his children, who will witness even bigger and better depressions than did he.

There will be no permanent relief until the vicious and selfish interests which control the nation's purse strings are brought to heel; until the hoggishness of a handful of money-lenders ceases to control the destinies of millions.

Again I hear voices: "Dangerous radical?" Those of you who know me know that I wear no beard; no bombs are concealed in vermin-infested clothing about my person. I am merely a slightly soiled young printer, arguing for youth, for labor, for the farmer; as good a citizen as any, aware that evolution cannot be denied, hoping that we, as a nation, will wake up before Universal Selfishness brings the entire structure down about our heads.

There are many farmers who believe that good times will "come back." I admire their fortitude, their faith in the system, but I cannot harbor it myself. This group is sincere; it believes recovery certain. They are steadfast in their convictions. They are the old guard who form the backbone of the present economic system.

Others there are who have allowed themselves to be sopped with phrases: "farmer is rugged individualist;" "farmer is himself capitalist"—but most farmers know they are no more capitalists than are the laborers who, together with the sons of the soil, are naught but the tail of the whip in the hands of real capital.

The most encouraging sign of the times is the fact that the farmer, along with the laborer, the mechanic, the white collar man, and a vast majority of women in all but the wealthiest households—is beginning to think; to question the value of an economic system which has once more plunged the nation into poverty, debt, and the uncertainty of the future.

D. Harold Cramer Resigns Post As C. U. Hi Principal

At a meeting of the local high school board Monday night the resignation of D. Harold Cramer, principal here for 14 years, was accepted, according to members of the board. Mr. Cramer has been connected with the high school continuously for the past 22 years, serving his first eight years here as vice principal and director of physical education, and mathematics instructor.

A graduate of Wooster college, Ohio, Mr. Cramer has done considerable graduate work at the University of California. He has kept abreast of the times, and has always commanded the admiration of the students and the patrons of the school. That the scholastic standing of the institution has not suffered during his regime is evidenced by the yearly rosters of graduates from California, Stanford and San Jose state college, from which many young people who started higher education under his guidance have graduated with honors.

Mr. Cramer has declined to discuss his plans for the future.

Other resignations tendered and accepted at the recent meeting were those of Miss Dorothy Saunders, art department and Mrs. Marion T. Cox, commercial department. The board is still considering applicants for all three vacancies.

Cooper Acquitted On Battery Count

The much heralded Cooper-Grizzle battery trial, in which Bruce Cooper answered charges of battery on the person of Claude Grizzle, brought by Miss Winifred Grizzle, sister of the plaintiff, started at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning and was over at 7 p.m. The verdict brought in by 11 men and one woman after an hour's deliberation was "not guilty."

Judge Chester Moore, who presided at the request of Judge John D. Blaine, was obliged to threaten to clear the court because of congratulatory confusion which broke out among 100 spectators at the announcement of the verdict.

Eugene Grattan defended Cooper and Assistant District Attorney Herbert Bridges handled the prosecution.

Sneak Day Is Observed by H. S. Seniors

Last Wednesday the senior class of Campbell high school observed the traditional sneak day. Meeting with their advisers, Miss Helen Nielsen and C. E. York at Moreland school, 8 o'clock, the class journeyed to Big Basin for an 11 o'clock lunch. At 2 o'clock they left for Santa Cruz for games and a weenie roast.

Minnie Vierra directed the affair, and Ralph Pilgrim was chairman of the committee on transportation.

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UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AWARDS HIGHER DEGREES AT SPECIAL ADVANCE CEREMONY

Campbell Represented At 71st Comm'nc'mnt Excercises, Friday

The University of California Friday awarded 736 higher and professional degrees and 196 certificates of graduation to students completing required curricula in dentistry, agriculture, hygiene, nursing, optometry, pharmacy, law, social service, librarianship, medicine, and engineering, or satisfying the requirements for higher degrees. The awards were made at a special ceremony in the Greek theatre at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Among the impressive list of those receiving higher degrees will be noted the names of two Cambpell students, Miss Mary Candee Maxon, who was awarded a certificate of completion of the curriculum in social service, and Hervey Harper Voge, upon whom was conferred the degree of doctor of philosophy.

The second half of the 71st Commencement Day exercises were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, when undergraduate students received baccalaureate degrees.

The address of the day was delivered by Dr. Monroe E. Deutsch, Vice-president and Provost of the University, after introductory remarks by President Robert Gordon Sproul and an invocation by Dr. Lewis B. Hillis of Berkeley.

At these excercises Campbell was again represented by Conrad J. Gaiser, who received his degree from the college of letters and sciences.

MRS. ETHEL L. SHUMWAY DIES HERE TUESDAY

Her many friends in this community were saddened yesterday by the death of Mrs. Ethel Leach Shumway, who passed away suddenly at the County hospital after a brief illness.

Mrs. Shumway, who was 51 years old, was born at Palmyra, N. Y., on May 6, 1883. She is survived by her husband, Charles Shumway; two daughters, Mary Ann and Patricia, and a brother, Winston Leach of Los Angeles.

Pending the arrival of Mr. Leach from Los Angeles funeral arrangements are not complete, but it is expected that services will be held Thursday from the Congregational church, with the Rev. J. H. Bennett officiating. Interment will be made in Los Gatos cemetery.

District's Future Farmers Convene In Hollister Sat.

Alfredo Drake, Robert Gilbert, Ali Beaveo, John Hobe, Will Lester, Nick Boyto, Shigeo Horio, Sumito Horio, John Korotaj, Frank DeRose, Toru Ogino, Frank Mijahara, Louis Rovetti, Lawrence Buehner, Ciro Di Salvo, Vernon Withers, Leslie Rose, Vincent Rogers, John Matta and Paul Barbano are Future Farmers of America who attended the district meeting and annual picnic of that organization at Hollister Saturday.

Prizes for winners of various projects were distributed at the meeting. Two Campbell boys, competed, Lawrence Buehner with the raising of 1,000 chickens, and Will Lester with the remodeling of ignition and carbueration of a gas engine.

The boys were accompanied by the following faculty members: R. C. Fitzsimmons, club advisor; C. E. York, agricultural department head, and M. F. Hughes, farm science instructor.

Capt. and Mrs. C. N. Jansen of San Francisco are visiting the Horace Lea's for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ridley are leaving Saturday for a two-months' vacation with sons and daughters at Grand Junction, Colo. During that time Mr. Ridley's watch and clock repair shop will be closed.

LOCAL WATER COMPANY LAYS NEW 10-IN. MAIN

The Campbell Water company will start work on ditches for the new and larger water mains tomorrow. The surveying is being done today. The new mains will be laid from the tank on First street north to Minna, east on Minna to Central connecting with a four inch pipe laid two years ago to the California cannery.

There will be a 10-inch line to Campbell avenue, an 8-inch main to Minna and a 6-inch line from Minna to Central. All piping will be of heavy cast iron and will last at least 99 years.

"Only local skilled and unskilled labor will be used on the job," says Ralph Hyde, manager of the company, "we have had many offers for the job but believe in keeping our money at home."

The job will take three or four days and about 30 men will be employed working four shifts a day. Two thousand two hundred feet of pipe will be laid at an approximate cost of $3,000.

The fire commissioners have ordered two fire hydrants to be installed along the new line.

Drew Plant to Start On Cots 15th, Is Report

"Previous summer weather has boosted the apricots along to early ripening this year, so that it will be necessary to start canning operations on June 15, according to officials of the Drew Canning company.

The company's pack this year will include apricots, peaches and pears, the quantities of each to at least equal those of last year, say reports.

Rev. and Mrs. Irons To Be Honored At Fellowship Supper

Friday evening at 6:30 o'clock Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Irons will be tendered a fellowship supper and program. The supper is under the direction of the Ladies' Aid society, and the program will be put on by the choir.

The affair is more or less in the nature of a farewell to Rev. and Mrs. Irons, as Rev. Irons is retiring within the next month or so. Following his retirement they will live near Los Gatos.

SAN JOSE, FOUNDED ON BANKS OF MARSH; NOW GOES DOWN HUNDREDS OF FT. FOR WATER

Editor's note: This is the second of a series of articles dealing with the proposed Santa Clara valley water conservation project.

Santa Clara valley, until recent years, was a region of plentiful water. Rains were frequent and heavy. Watersheds of the surrounding hills sent happy streams down wooded canyons and across the valley floor. Flowing wells were common, rather than the the exception, and maps of the region as recently as ten years ago showed great sections of the valley to be artesian zones. In some districts the subterranean pressure was so great as to force the water into depressions on the valley floor to form swamps. The original Pueblo of San Jose was founded on the banks of such a marsh, source of the little town's domestic water supply. As late as 1915 the average ground water level for the whole of Santa Clara valley was only 37 feet below the surface.

But this condition of plentiful water has changed to one of serious shortage. A report on the Santa Clara valley water situation, compiled by the Division of Water Resources of the State of California, declares:

"The general ground water level in Santa Clara valley, exclusive of the former artesian zone north and west of San Jose, receded 95 feet between the spring of 1915, and the spring of 1933. (In the year following this report the water level receded 21 feet farther.)

"This recession probably indicates a decrease of approximately 729,000 acre feet in available ground water storage during the 18-year period, or 40,000 acre feet per year. (13,000,000,000 gallons.)

"Natural replenishment of ground water in Santa Clara valley has been profoundly affected since 1915 by lack of rainfall and resulting diminished stream flow. Precipitation during the 13 years preceding 1915 exceeded normal by the equivalent of 1.15 full years of rainfall. Surface streams debouching into the valley have been subnormal to an amount equivalent to 6.7 full years of normal discharge.

"Pumping draft upon the ground water of the valley had increased materially in the years immediately preceding 1915, and since that time has increased roughly

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Last Rites for Mrs. Alice Smith Held On Monday

Funeral services were held at 10:30 Monday morning at the Smith home on North Second street for Mrs. Alice Smith, 84, who passed away Friday, May 18.

Rev. C. E. Irons of Campbell Methodist church officiated. Mrs. J. D. Blaine, Mrs. Ethel Davis and Rev. Irons sang "Blessed Assurance" and "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder." Pall bearers were G. L. Speegle, John Ochs, E. E. Weeks, C. T. Fawcett, R. W. Kennedy and C. S. Treat. Interment took place in Los Gatos cemetery.

Mrs. Smith, a native of England, was the widow of the late James Smith; mother of Joseph G. Smith of Oregon and Alfred W. Smith of Campbell, and grandmother of Lloyd and Hubert Smith, and aunt of Sprague Smith of San Mateo.

Grange Plans Picnic At Mt. School June 10

At a meeting of Orchard City grange in I. O. O. F. hall Tuesday evening routine business was attended to, and plans for a picnic to be held June 10 were discussed. M. F. Hughes and L. E. Hendricks, committee on selection of picnic grounds, reported that they had secured permission to hold the outing at Montezuma school in the Santa Cruz mountains.

Committees were appointed for the affair as follows:

Transportation, S. N. Hedegard, Lloyd Gardner, W. L. Coupland.

Refreshments, Fred Hubback, M. F. Hughes, Werner Raab.

Games, Stanley Smith, Herbert Gardner, Harry Barnes.

It was voted to invite Almaden and Mt. Hamilton granges to share the good time, and Secretary Mrs. Charlotte Sutter was asked to dispatch the invitations.

During the lecturer's hour the assemblage listened to a very interesting discussion of education by Mrs. Maude C. Glasson of Los Altos, who more than anything else pointed out the fatal paths into which "big business" is attempting to lead the educational program of the United States. Mrs. Glasson displayed a thorough knowledge of her subject, and her remarks were well-received by the grange.

Wilbur Morton favored during this hour with two cornet solos.

Mrs. Miriam Dunlap will entertain the members of the Ada Rebekah stitching club at her home on Alice avenue tomorrow.

New Members Admitted To Local Church

At Sunday morning services of Campbell Congregational church a class of new members was received by the Rev. J. H. Bennett. They include:

Lloyd Brewer, Harry Rediker, Robert Nichols, Robert Lowrie, Elizabeth Howes, Patricia Shumway, Margaret Chapman, Johann Dano, Eva May Whitcomb, Frances Smith, Albert Smith, Kenneth Aksland and Lucille Aksland.

FAMOUS ADVENTURERS by HANK

WAS INSTRUCTOR IN ROYAL AIR FORCE DURING WORLD WAR
BOUGHT A PLANE AND TOURED ENGLAND ON A BARNSTORMING TRIP
SIR ALAN COBHAM
HIS ACHIEVEMENTS DEMONSTRATED NOT ONLY HIS SKILL AS AN AVIATOR BUT HIS ABILITY TO SCIENTIFICALLY PLAN ALL HIS MOVEMENTS. HE WAS NOT A STUNT FLYER
WAS KNIGHTED FOR HIS ACHIEVEMENTS IN AVIATION
DEMONSTRATED PRACTICAL COMMERCIAL USE OF AVIATION IN FLIGHT, LONDON TO INDIA

Dale Holland Will Run for Treas. Office

Dale Holland, who was appointed as county treasurer on Jan. 5 of this year to fill the unexpired term of E. W. Conant who passed away suddenly, has signified his intention to seek permancy in office at the coming primary election.

Mr. Holland, who has lived in Santa Clara county all his life, was a deputy under Mr. Conant for over 25 years and received the unanimous support of the board of supervisors for the appointment, which shows the high esteem in which he is held by the board.

The bank deposits are being handled differently by Mr. Holland and by doing so he has kept more funds in the banks for alonger period; consequently the county is receiving more interest. By this change in handling deposits he has also eliminated the risk of carrying large sums of money between the banks and the treasurer's office.

Mr. Holland is seeking re-election to the office of county treasurer on his record of the past and the efficiency with which the finances of the office are being handled and of his knowledge and experience in the office. He has always worked for what he thought was for the best interest of the majority.

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The FARMERS CORNER

by RALPH H. TAYLOR

Executive Secretary Agricultural Council of California

Pumping new lifeblood into California agriculture during a period of crisis and reconstruction, the Farm Credit administration, in a span of less than 12 months, has loaned American farmers more than a billion, one hundred million dollars!

That announcement from Washington, detailing the extent of the huge farm credit program, has brought the repeated inquiry:

"Where does the money go?"

"What does the farmer do with his government loan?"

And the answer to this important and natural question is now made available by the Farm Credit administration in an analysis of loans made to farmers—and the purpose for which they were made.

Of every dollar in federal land bank and land bank commissioner's farm mortgage loans closed since last June, the federal bureau reports, 89 cents went into the refinancing of farmers' indebtedness. In short, the loans, for the most part, were in the nature of economic "blood transfusions," designed to give hard-pressed farmers a fighting chance for recovery.

Only a fraction of the loan-dollar — approximately 11 cents—was used for other purposes than debt adjustment, according to the survey. Of this amount, about 5.5 cents went into the purchase of land and equipment, the construction or improvement of buildings, and general agricultural uses, including the provision of capital. The balance covered various requirements, such as the redemption or repurchase of land previously foreclosed, for purchase of stock in national farm loan associations, for loan fees, etc.

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Many thousands of farmers, the government analysis clearly indicates, have been saved from bankruptcy and loss of their lands by the new farm credit machinery, made available at a time when all normal credit facilities were closed to the great majority of farmers.

The classes of creditors to whom the proceeds of the loans for refinancing purposes were paid, with the approximate percentage received by each, were listed as follows:

Commercial banks, 27.6 cents of each dollar; insurance companies, 10.5 cents; joint stock land banks, 5.8 cents; tax authorities, 2.7 cents; merchants, nine-tenths of a cent; creditors not separately classified, including mortgage companies, private mortgage lenders, retired farmers, and many others to whom the farmer owed debts, 40.7 cents, and miscellaneous, eight-tenths of a cent.

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Strengthening the whole farm credit structure, the new 3 1-4 per cent bonds of the Federal Farm Mortgage corporation, set up by the government to provide the federal land banks and the commissioner with adequate means to continue the refinancing program, are meeting with a favorable reception by farmers, their creditors and investment houses, according to the federal report.

The bonds are going principally to the creditors of farmers and the government reports that banks, insurance companies and other large creditors of farmers throughout the country have readily agreed to accept the bonds in exchange for mortgages they hold on farms. Some creditors will not be able to hold the securities, but the federal report states that the bonds are readily salable and are now selling at slightly above par. They are guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the government.

In California, it is significant that tax redemptions have increased more than 100 per cent since inauguration of the farm credit program and like programs for the aid of urban industries and business.

The new credit program, to be sure, has not cured the almost universal farm disease of burdensome debt. But at least it is giving the patient needed strength to fight back to more healthy conditions.

Ed Genasci and Jack Scott, members of the local volunteer fire department, who recently attended classes in firemanship, will on June 1 conduct classes for the edification of other members of the department.

Moreland Farmers O.K. Water Plan

The Moreland Farmers Union Local No. 92 heartily endorses the plan of the Water Conservation district now before the people of the district for saving the winter floods from wasting in the Bay, it was revealed at a meeting of that group last Thursday night.

The members of the Moreland Farmers Union are nearly all residents of the water conservation district ... home owners and tax payers and some have lived in the district many years. Some of them have seen this section change from hay production to vineyard and later to the present beautiful orchards of prune, apricot, cherry, pear, and walnut.

The Resolution of approval concludes with the following remarks:

"Some recall the time, not over a generation ago, when plenty of well water could be easily obtained. On one ranch not far from the Moreland school water stood at 61 feet below the surface. Last December, on this same ranch, the water stood at 202 feet, a drop of 141 feet in one generation.

"In order to secure water for orchard irrigation, wells have been drilled 600, 700 and even 1,000 feet deep. Some are lifting water 300 feet to grow the lowly prune.

"All of our investment in wells and pumps, in some cases as high as $300 per acre during the past 15 years, go for nothing if the water fails. We face the constant dread and fear that the bottom of the water supply has been reached—and when water fails our orchards fail and our land returns to the hay field. The only hope we can see for the safety of our homes is that the people of the valley begin immediately to save the precious winter floods.

"Hence, we are 100 per cent for the "Well Replenishment Project" now before the people.

One Steady Export

IN spite of heavy duties, competitive tariffs and trade barriers such as limitations on quantities, a steady stream of American canned foods is still going out from this country to all parts of the world. There is a good reason for this, and that is the superiority of American canned foods to those canned anywhere else on earth.

The inquiries for American canned foods which have come to our government during the last year or so from foreign representives of our Departments of Commerce and State have been from the following places:

Accra, Gold Coast; Alexandria, Egypt; Amoy, China; Amsterdam, Netherlands; Ancon, Canal Zone; Antwerp, Belgium; Bahia, Brazil; Bangkok, Siam; Barbados, British West Indies; Batavia, Java; Buenos Aires, Argentina; Bordeaux, France; Brest, France; Cairo, Egypt; Calcutta, India; Capetown, South Africa; Curacao, Dutch West Indies; Caracas, Venezuela; Casablanca, Morocco; Charleroi, Belgium; Cologne, Germany; Copenhagen, Denmark; Dublin, Irish Free State; Goteborg, Sweden; Havana, Cuba; Havre, France; Hong Kong, China; The Hague, Netherlands; Istanbul, Turkey; Jerusalem, Palestine; La Paz, Bolivia; Lima, Peru; Liverpool, England; Lyons, France; Manila, Philippine Islands; Marseille, France; Medan, Sumatra; Milan, Italy; Montreal, Canada; Nairobi, Kenya, Africa; Nantes, France; Panama City, Panama; Paris, France; Port of Spain, Trinidad, British West Indies; Prague, Czechoslovakia; Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Rotterdam, Netherlands; Rouen, Seine Inferieure; Saigon, Indo-China; Saint-Marcellin (Isere), France; San Jose, Costa Rica; San Juan, Puerto Rico; Santiago, Cuba; Shanghai, China; Singapore, Straits Settlements; Stockholm, Sweden; Toronto, Canada; Trieste, Italy; Tunis, Tunisia; Turin, Italy; Vienna, Austria; Zurich, Switzerland.*

Gay Spring Luncheons

SPRING BRINGS a great deal of special entertaining. Perhaps there is a June bride to fete with a luncheon as a gay prelude to the wedding day. Or a special guest has come to town whom you would like to honor with a luncheon that will long be remembered. Maybe the young folk have come trooping home from school and college in search of novel menus for their own enthusiastic parties. And even families feel the need of interesting and different meals to prick up their lagging spring appetites. A hostess armed with these delicious spring luncheon menus will take pleasure in entertaining her guests or family.

Cream of Green Pea Soup (ready-to-serve) Bread Sticks
Ripe Mission Olives Celery
Veal Birds Spiced Carrots* Browned Potato Balls
Hot Biscuits or Cloverleaf Rolls Grape Jelly
Fig Pudding with Hard Sauce
Coffee

Iced Tomato Juice Canapé
Chicken Salad Eclairs with Garnish of Pickle Fans*
Buttered Green Peas Hot Buttered Rolls
Ambrosia Salad*
Filled Sugar Cookies*
Coffee

By JOSEPHINE GIBSON
Director, Heinz Food Institute

*Spiced Carrots—Steam or boil carrots until tender. Mix 2 tablespoons Pure Vinegar with 2 tablespoons sugar, add ¼ cup butter and 4 or 5 whole cloves, and bring to boiling point. Remove cloves, pour sauce over carrots and add salt and pepper to season. Serve hot.

Chicken Salad Eclairs with Garnish of Pickle Fans—Add ½ cup butter and 1 cup flour to 1 cup boiling water, being sure the water is boiling at the time. Stir while adding the flour and cook until the material forms a ball and has a tendency to cling to the spoon. It should be transparent rather than opaque in appearance. Remove from fire and add, one at a time, 4 unbeaten eggs, beating until smooth after addition of each egg. Drop on baking sheets, shaping in rectangles 2x4 inches, and bake in a hot oven (400° F.) until puffs are dry and quite firm to the touch. When cool, split on side and fill with Chicken Salad. Garnish with pickle fans made by cutting thin parallel slices almost the length of Sweet Midget Gherkins and spreading slices to represent a fan.

*Chicken Salad (Fills 8 eclairs)—Combine 2 cups diced cold chicken, ½ cup chopped Stuffed Spanish Olives, 1 cup chopped celery, 2 teaspoons Worcestershire Sauce, 4 chopped Sweet Midget Gherkins, ½ cup Mayonnaise and salt and pepper to taste. Mix gently and chill.

Ambrosia Salad—Combine 3 bananas, sliced and sprinkled with lemon juice, 1 cup white grapes or white cherries, ½ cup diced pineapple and 1 cup marshmallows cut in fourths. Moisten with ½ cup Mayonnaise to which has been added ½ cup whipped cream, and serve in beds of crisp lettuce.

*Filled Sugar Cookies—Cream 1 cup shortening, add 2 cups granulated sugar and cream thoroughly, then add 1 well beaten egg, 1 cup sweet milk and 1 teaspoon vanilla. Add about 4 cups flour and 3 teaspoons baking powder which have been sifted together (enough to form a firm dough.) Chill the dough thoroughly, then toss part of it on a lightly floured board and roll to ⅛ inch in thickness. Shape, using any desired cooky cutter, and place on a greased baking sheet. In the center of each cooky, place ½ teaspoon Currant or Grape Jelly. Cover with a cooky of equal size, press the edges together firmly, sprinkle tops with sugar and bake in a moderately hot oven (400° F.) for 12 to 15 minutes.

HEALTH NOTES

Prepared by the CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

POISON OAK "A MATTER OF SOME MOMENT"

"What is good for poison oak?"

Robert Louis Stevenson might have had occasion to ask that question when, in 1883, he described a tramp in the California woods as follows:

"We struggled toughly upward, canted to and fro by the roughness of the trail, and continuously switched across the face by sprays of leaf or blossoms. This last is no inconvenience at home; but here in California it is a matter of some moment.

"For in all woods and by every wayside there prospers an abominable shrub or weed called poison oak."

Poison oak still is a matter of "some moment" in California.

Every year thousands fall victim to the insiduous poison manufactured in the rhus diversiloba, the scientific name for the poison oak shrub. In a majority of cases it is no more than a matter of temporary inconvenience, but in others it is more serious.

Laboratory experimentation has proved that the active element of the shrub is a poisonous property, a chemical, which can be isolated. It possess the ability to penetrate the skin. It may be carried on particles of dust, such as a flake of carbon from a bonfire, for a considerable distance. It will cling to a coat hung in a dark closet, and poison some innocent victim weeks later.

Commercial laboratories have developed a toxin for the prevention and treatment of poison oak infection. But in this as in many other ailments, the treatment effective in one case may prove ineffective or only partially effective in another.

Medicine knows of no specific remedy which will 'work' equally well in all cases.

One laboratory which has studied the problem at length reports that an individual's susceptibility may vary from year to year. This indicates the need for medical supervision in the use of poison oak toxin, since careful regulation of the dose is important.

The United States Department of Agriculture, in a bulletin on poison oak infection, recommends bathing under running water with strong soap such as laundry soap, as a preventive after exposure.

In advanced cases requiring medical attention, the physician uses his wide knowledge of the many skin remedies to reduce the irritation and to make the patient more comfortable.

The poison oak shrub is virulent throughout the year. A survey conducted by a California university showed that more students were poisoned in March, the time of year when nature lovers are lured to the woods by spring wild flowers.

Mrs. William Coupland is visiting relatives in Pacific Grove this week.

Club Holds Last Program Meeting Of the Season

The Country Woman's club enjoyed its last program meeting for the 1933-34 club year Monday with Dr. Dorothy Kaucher and Mrs. Frances Gitler Airth, both of San Jose, as guest entertainers.

Mrs. Guy E. Farley, chairman of the program committe which included Mrs. Leigh Saunders, Mrs. Robert W. Kennedy, and Mrs. Wyland R. Morgan, presented the guests. Mrs. Airth gave two delightful groups of songs that were thoroughly enjoyed. Her selections were: "Evening Love Song," "Spring's a Lovable Lady," Grandma," "Auf Wiedersehen," "Vienna Nights" and "Wiegenlied," the opening and closing numbers being sung in German. Mrs. Airth was her own accompanist.

Dr. Kaucher, who is one of the faculty of the speech arts department of the state college, had chosen Christopher Morley's one-act comedy, "Thursday Evening" which she interpereted entertainingly.

The club room was a fairy garden with its many lovely baskets of mixed bouquets, with shades of blue, pink and yellow predominating. The guests and Mrs. C. H. Whitman, who had been instrumental in arranging for their coming, were presented with bouquets of Transvaal daisies.

Mrs. G. W. Burrow, chairman of the picnic committee, announced that a somewhat planned menu was arranged. Any one who was not at the meeting Monday and who plans to attend the picnic may consult Mrs. Burrow or Miss Jessie Lewis. Each person will provide her own dishes and silver.

C. of C. Works For Water Plan

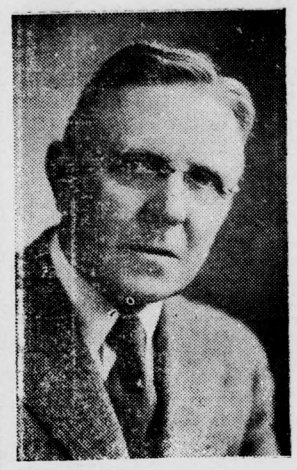
The regular monthly meeting of the chamber of commerce was held at Community hall Monday evening.

Following a report by S. N. Hedegard it was decided to refer the removal of the Arden station building and shrubbery to the former Johnson avenue club which placed them there. When these are removed Supervisor McKinnon will have the Campbell corner widened.

E. A. Barker suggested the possibility of a lecture on "old age pensions" by Capt. Brunton of Mt. View. The idea met with unanimous approval and Mr. Barker was authorized to complete arrangements. The United States is being solicited on a huge sign-up drive petitioning congress to enact an "old age pension" law, and this lecture is part of the educational campaign.

The water conservation program was discussed after S. N. Hedegard had reported his contacts with promoters of the plan.

Harry Knox, Noted Executive, Seeks County Treas. Post



Harry Knox, one of the most widely known financial executives in Santa Clara county, secretary-manager of the better business bureau of San Jose, has announced his candidacy for the post of county treasurer in the August primary.

Knox is widely known as a result of radio broadcasts in the interests of establishing a code of ethics for business in general, and in exposing rackets, having successfully combatted several merchandise rackets throughout the county the past several years.

Knox has held executive and financial posts for thirty years continuously, mostly in San Jose, where he was for six years with the garden city morning paper, 13 years with Hale Brothers as promotion director and superintendent, and for five years as manager of a department store.

The county treasurer candidate is also widely known in fraternal circles, as a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Mason, a Sciot, a member of the Maccabees, Knights of Pythias and the Sons of St. George. In addition to heading the San Jose better business bureau he is a prominent member of the chamber of commerce.

Warren Lea and Lloyd Shank left Sunday for Lake Philsbury on a fishing trip, expecting to return today.

Camp Fire Girls Plan Barbecue

By Alice Modry

The Tawasi Camp Fire group, of which Miss Elsie Swanson is guardian, had its regular weekly meeting on Friday in the Camp Fire house.

The first part of the meeting was spent in group singing. Then plans were made for a council fire to be held at the barbecue pit at the rear of the building. The ceremonial will be preceeded by an outdoor supper cooked by four members Jewell and Jeanette Abbott, Lois Bohnett, and Alice Modry, who are working for the Fire Makers rank.

The evening will be spent in star lore and indoor games in the gymnasium. Officers of the group are: Jewell Abbott, president; Betty York, treasurer, and Alice Modry, secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace G. Keesling of Hamilton avenue, were honored on their 54th wedding anniversary with a party recently at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Jessie McChesney.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Bachman and family left Saturday for a camping trip of several days in Yosemite park.

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C. Woman's Club Committees Named For 1934-25 Season

The first official act of Mrs. Chauncey H. Whitman, president-elect of the Campbell Country Woman's club, was the selection of standing committtee members for the 1934-35 season which opens on Sept. 17 with a luncheon. They are as follows:

Program, 1934-35 — Mrs. Louis Shelley, Mrs. Leigh Saunders, Mrs. J. D. Blaine; 1935-36—Mrs. George S. Robson, Mrs. Walter I. Merrill, Mrs. Arthur Wellington.

Membership—Mrs. Ira R. Abbott, Mrs. Worthin Grattan, Mrs. Walter H. Stray.

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Yard—Mrs. Guy E. Farley, Mrs. Rose Hanger, Mrs. John D. Blaine.

Sunshine—Mrs. E. Russel Kennedy, Mrs. Andrew W. Johnson, Mrs. Charlotte W. Sutter.

Poor Father

"Poor Father" a three act comedy, will be given by a group from the Los Gatos Christian church Friday evening, May 25, at the Campbell union grammar school auditorium. It is to be given under the auspices of group 2 of the Congregational women's guild.

Selections will also be given by the "Melodiers," Christian church quartette composed of Rev. Myron C. Cole, Warren Hammond, Charles Phillips and Clarence Herndon.

Cast in the play are Gene Baird, Clarence Herndon, Roy Roberts, George Wolfe, Milton Wolfe, Anna Stindt, Elsie Tompkins, Dolores Stephens, Virginia Phillippe, John Dudley, Emma Lee Main, and Betty Phillippe.

Admission prices are, adults 25 cents; children ten cents.

Gilroy Round-Up Queen To Have Screen Tests

The girl who rides at the head of the Round-Up and Gymkhana parade at Gilroy June 16 and 17 will have an opportunity to ride on to stardom in the Hollywood movie world parade, the association directors announced today.

This revelation was made made when Ross Norrington, secretary of the organization, announced he has been invited by the Universal Picture Corporation of Hollywood to have the winner of the Gymkhana queen contest submit to a screen test, in the continuous world wide search for new girl stars for the screen.

Naturally, the fortunate girl, and she may come from Campbell, must be an accomplished horswoman, for in the committee's judging 40 points of the 100 she will be rated upon will be for horsemanship; the other 60 points will be divided equally for "general appearance" and "personality and poise."

All candidates for the queen contest must be single, and in addition to the free test in Hollywood, accompanied by a chaperone, she will be the guest of honor at a round of fetes and parties during Gilroy's annual two days' Gymkhana celebration.

Complete details of the queen contest may be secured from Ross Norrington, Gymkhana Association, Gilroy, California. Incidentally, the entrants will not be competing against any "home town" girl, as Gilroy girls are barred from the contest.

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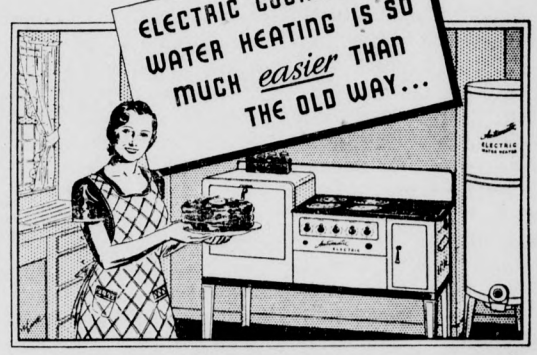

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Valley Reservoir Sinks Dangerously

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from 25,000 to an average of 134,000 acre feet per annum. This of itself would have caused a substantial lowering of the ground water level even had precipitation and natural recharge been normal."

Aside from the danger of total exhaustion of the water supply, a condition which Santa Clara valley is rapidly approaching, the situation described by the state report presents two important hazards.

First, continued depletion of the water necessitates further lowering of the wells and results in increased pumping expenses. The annual power bill for pumping the diminishing water supply from the ground is approximately $800,000 a year greater than in 1915. Moreover, more than $10,000,000 has been spent in deepening wells, drilling new wells, and installing new pumping units.

If the water level were restored to its former condition, the saving in power bills alone for four years would pay the entire cost of financing water conservation. Additional returns in the form of crop production would be tremendous.

The second hazard exists in the fact that the valley water table has dropped below sea level. In December 1932, a point had been reached where 33,000 acres of the valley floor had a standing water level below that of San Francisco bay. In just one year—from December, 1932 to December, 1933—this area had nearly doubled.

The longer this situation continues, the greater is the likelihood of salt water intrusion from the bay into the wells. Already this condition, from which there is no recovery, has manifested itself on both sides of San Francisco bay from Palo Alto north, and in the Alameda water district.

In brief, then Santa Clara valley faces:

Complete exhaustion of its water supply.

Greatly increased expense for pumping and drilling.

Salt water contamination of the underground reservoir.

These are the factors which have combined to bring about the greatest crisis in the history of Santa Clara valley. In the next article of this series, the remedy which has been proposed by the Santa Clara valley water conservation district will be discussed.

FOR THE BEACH

A linen beach ensemble of sleeveless white linen blouse with anchor in blue, matching white linen shorts, separate buttoned linen skirt and blue suede belt, with linen topcoat in red and blue on white. Posed by Myrna Loy, M.G.M. actress.

Statement by C. C. Young

In declaring his candidacy for governor, John R. Quinn has let personal ambition o-verride his loyalty to the cause of good government and the sacredness of his word. For the past four years he has been protesting his deep obligation to me for appointing him supervisor of Los Angeles county. On numerous occasions he has voluntarily stated to me and to dozens of others, his friends and my friends, that under no circumstances would he consider standing as a candidate against me.

Mor than once he has confirmed this pledge in the news papers, the last time six weeks ago, just after my announcement of candidacy, when he issued the following statement to the press: "I will not run against Governor Young. Governor Young made a good governor and will make a good governor again. I will support him."

Immediately afterwards Quinn, I am told, was beseiged by detachments of Rolph's relatives and Rolph office holders. Since then the papers have been filled with predictions that he would be the Rolph candidate, with all the obligations which that must imply. The temptation apparently became too strong, and John Quinn has thrown over former loyalties and principles to become the heir apparent of the Rolph political machine.

These tempters of John R. Quinn did not pick him as crown prince of the Rolph succession because of his own merits. They have selected him as the one to grant the favors, spend the money, and save the jobs. By yielding to them he has raised as a definite, clear-cut issue for the approaching campaign whether there shall be a continuation or an end of Rolphism in California.

Shower Tendered Miss M. Borhman

The Misses Anna, Leona and Marjorie Prout were hostesses recently at a shower for Miss Marguerite Bohrman at their home on Campbell avenue. Miss Bohrman is to be married early this summer.

Guests included the Mesdames Fred Bohrman, R. W. Kennedy, Jr., Oscar Spillman, B. LeWarne, Vernon Hook, Ethel Gardner, J. H. Prout, Stella Clark, L. B. Everett, Lucille Welem; and the Misses Lila Row, Bonnie Arnold, Vivian and Lorraine Johnson, Bernice Clark, Ruby Williams, Gladys Everett, Martha and Jane Bohrman and Bernice Gardner.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Andres Saturday morning at O'Connor's a daughter.

Cambrian Faculty Members Guests of Home-School Club

Members of Cambrian district grammar school were entertained Friday evening at dinner by ladies of the Home and School club of that community. The affair took place at the school house, where a committee headed by Mrs. Eva Bachman had arranged a delightful repast.

After dinner Mrs. Arthur Thayer, chairman of the program committee, presented the following program:

Accordion selections by Adaline Greco and Marion Cilker, seniors at Los Gatos high school; cowboy act in costume by Mesdames Arthur Theyer, F. G. Fitzgerald and C. R. Halbert. A mock wedding was presented by the Mesdames Virginia Young, Violet Bohnett, Laura Kench, Frieda Fitzgerald, Hattie Gardner, S. Drake, Ellen Knopf, Agnes Halbert, Bunda, Ann Bernardacci, C. Fammatre, Rose Sherlock, Emily McConnell, Merle Bohnett, Eva Bachman, Pearl Campbell and Catherine Gullick.

KIWANIS NOTES By Heck

Kiwanians were given a delightful discourse on birds and conservation by Dudley DeGroot of San Jose state college Tuesday. He had on display a number of the waterfowl family mounted and eggs of a number of them. The birds of California is Mr. DeGroot's hobby and an interesting story it makes. He stated that 98 per cent of the waterfowl of California have disappeared and if a consistent program of conservation is not carried out several other varieties will soon be extinct.

Of the $45 average expenditure per hunter per year only $1.50 is used for game protection and refuge areas.

There are encouraging signs of the increase of the beautiful wood-duck which was almost extinct a few years ago and with proper laws other birds will increase rapidly.

Ralph Smith favored the group with two piano solos. Jack Murdock acted as chairman.

H. J. Hillman of San Jose high school will give a movie lecture on Bryce canyon. Dr. Walter Merrill will be chairman at the next meeting.

Prune Pool Elects Officers

Ballots for the anual election of 15 directors of the California Prune Pool will be mailed out tomorrow to the 4,000 grower members of the organization, officials of the Pool announced today.

In order to be counted, marked ballots must be returned to the headquarters of the Pool before 5 p.m. Thursday May 31, at which time the election committee will count the ballots.

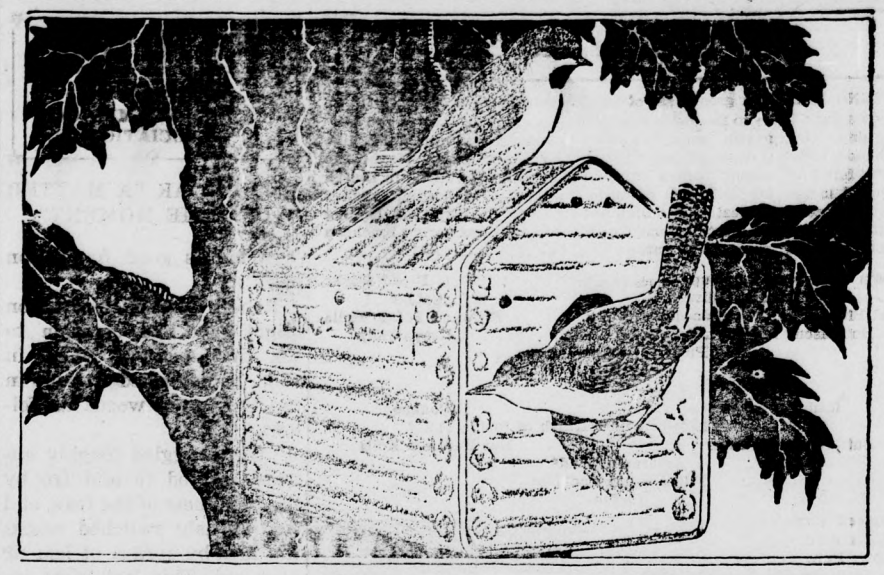
Any Pool grower receiving a majority of all ballots cast in his district will be elected for that district. In case no grower receives a majority, the two growers having the highest number of votes will contest in a second election. Ballots for the second election wil be counted on Monday June 11, the date of the annual meeting of the Pool.

Present Pool directors and the districts they represent are as follows:

District Number 1, Walter Stile, Chico; District 2, James Mills, Hamilton City; District 3, C. K. Schnabel, Yuba City; District 4, Douglas Chisholm, Windsor, and Joseph D. Cox, Healdsburg; District 5, John Hartley, Napa; District 6, W. H. Williamson, Mills; District 7, Walter Swall, Tulare; District 8, E. H. Sharp, Hollister; District 9, Harry Pyle, San Jose; District 10, Nick Nelson, Los Gatos; District 11, W. W. Lester, Santa Clara; District 12, Arch Wilson, Cupertino; District 13, Andrew Jurian, Mt. View; District 14, Hugh Hersman, Gilroy.

Proposed "Old Age Pension Law" To Be Discussed Here Soon

Captain Bruton of Mountain View has been secured to speak at Campbell grammar school auditorium Wednesday evening, May 30, on the subject of the proposed "Old Age Pension Law." This is one of the live topics of the hour and an enthusiastic meeting is being planned.



For Your Feathered Friends

HAS it ever occurred to you what a pleasure it would be to you and what a useful thing you would be doing if you provided safe homes like the above for the little wrens and chicadees and other small song birds who would be only too delighted to move into them this spring if they found them standing ready in your yard?

It's such a simple thing to do, too. All that is necessary is to buy a can of syrup that comes in the shape of a log cabin, cut and punch a few holes in it, and there you are! You will need a little more specific instructions, if you are attracted by the idea, however, and Mrs. Olive Benedict Coming, bird enthusiast of Lake Keuka, New York, has provided them.

How to Make the House

"After cleaning an empty tin with hot water," she says, "make a hole an inch in diameter, with a jackknife, just above the center of one of the end panels. This entrance will be large enough to admit wrens and smaller birds, but will keep out nosey sparrows. It should be in the upper half of the wall so it won't be covered when the birds build their nest inside. Cut from the top of the hole downward, and when the top and two sides of the hole are complete, bend out the flap of metal to form a perch. Smooth down the sharp corners with a file or a pair of pliers or a hammer.

"After punching a few nail holes in the sides and bottom for ventilation, plug up the chimney and fasten the cabin to a tree or building with a wooden bracket, or a piece of wire or stout cord. All birdhouses should be placed in the shade to protect nestlings from the summer sun. In a few minutes and at no expense anyone can have in this way a practical cabin for small birds which will protect these valuable and amusing neighbors from being crowded out by sparrows, other feathered hooligans or cats."

A Joyful Awakening

As a result of this small effort you will stir drowsily some morning soon in the sweet spring air, and hear a small, clear voice outside your window ejaculate: "Cheep!" This will not be a comment on your character. Far from it! It will be an expression of appreciation of your generosity in giving your small feathered friends this protection, and the result will be that you will attract to your yard one or more whole families of delightful neighbors who will provide interest and amusement for you not only this summer but for many summers to come.

Lots of people are already doing this. Mrs. Coming, for instance, has fifteen of these rustic bird cabins about her Lake Keuka cottage, and every year they are occupied by cheerful families of wrens and song birds. She doesn't have to advertise those cottages. In fact she claims that there is a waiting list "But remember," she cautions you, "that it is the early birdhouse that catches the early birds!"

Of Practical Use, Too

The useful feature of this pleasant enterprise is that crop and garden pests which do about eight hundred million dollars' worth of damage every year are held at bay, according to scientists, almost wholly by our wild birds. Even a small fraction of that sum seems worth saving, so, although we have only one-tenth as many birds as we could use with profit, you can attract to your vicinity your due proportion of those that survive by the simple expedient suggested above.

For bird houses need not be elaborate or expensive to be attractive. They can successfully be made from many kinds of materials which would otherwise go to waste. For the above kind, the nearest grocer is your best bet. Put the syrup inside you, and the prepared can out in your yard, and the job's done.

This movement is known as the Save the Birds Club, and its headquarters are at 6903 Seminole Avenue, Forest Hills, Long Island, New York, but there is no need to write to headquarters for further information as this story contains the complete instructions on how to make the bird houses. If you are interested in what sort of birds they will attract in your neighborhood, go to some local nature lover, or your local zoo, and either will be delighted to tell you.

HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

By Bob Burrow

The boys jinx held in the Campbell high school gymnasium last Friday night was very successful. The first three boxing bouts were between boys who are attending or who have attended Campbell high. The first bout was between Bill Corey and Erlin Williamson; the second John Penhall and Alvin (Slats) Pickett, and the third, Ted Knopf and Bob Brooks. The next bout was comical, put on by McKay and Bart Guttormsen.

The remaining two bouts were put on by amateurs from San Jose. All of these fellows had been in the ring before and gave good exhibitions of skill. They were Sam Luprepta, Ralph DeSopa, Jackie Jurich, and Joe Basile.

To wind up the activities of the evening the faculty played the 110's in a basketball game which was won by the faculty with a score of of 10 to 7.

Refreshments were served.

Campbell came through a hard fought game last Friday afternoon, May 17, to win from Santa Clara in a baseball game. The visitors were in the lead up to the seventh inning, when Campbell came up to tie the score, later in the afternoon a fly brought in the winning run. The final score was 6 to 5.

Friday afternoon, May 25, Campbell will play Live Oak, there.

The Campbell high school tennis team played Santa Clara here last Wednesday afternoon.

Cramer won first singles 6-1, 6-1. Bloom won second singles 5-7, 6-4, 6-1. Manfre won third singles 6-4, 6-3. Pryor and Hocking lost first doubles 6-3, 8-10, 4-6. Connetto and Horio won second doubles 6-4, 6-0.

This afternoon Campbell's plays Live Oak.

Among those filing intentions of marriage this week are Miss Katherine A. Payne, 19, and Claude Brewer, 19 both of Campbell.

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